

THE PEOPLE OF THE SEA.

AN ODE.

I.

The people of the sea,
While mortals sleep,
Their vigils keep,
Far o'er the deep,
In dread security.
The people of the sea,
With proud disdain,
Their right maintain,
To roam the main,
And fear no rivalry.
Free as the boundless sea.

II.

The riders of the sea,
Where waters gush,
Where whirlwinds rush,
Where icebergs crush,
Go with audacity.
The riders of the sea,
Tho' reef rocks graze,
Tho' lightning blaze,
Tho' thunder craze,
Ride on in majesty;
Bold as the daring sea.

III.

The heroes of the sea,